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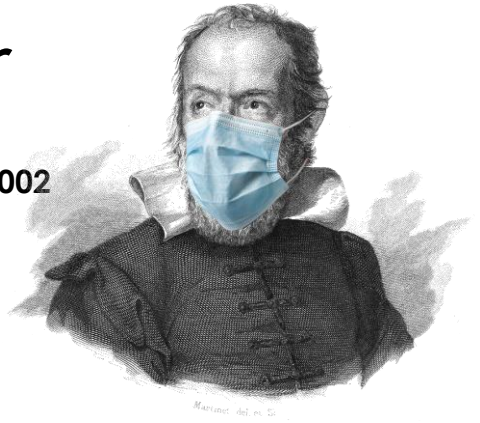
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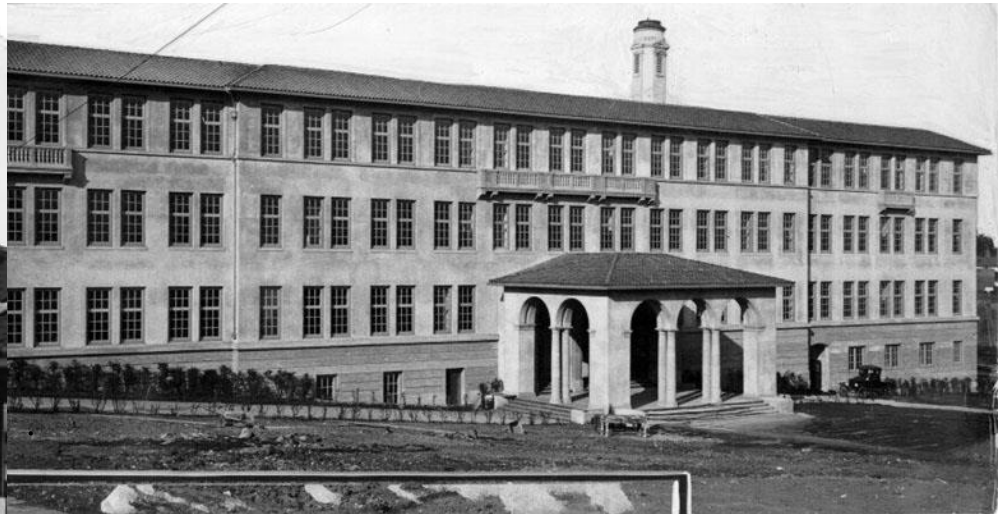
Galileo 100

1921 ★ 2021



We are finally having our “2021” Centennial Party September 30, 2022. Come back to Gal. Visit and reminiscence about the good old days. Fun for all! Flyer to be sent out soon.

- Song & Yell 11:00 a.m.
- Classroom Tours after lunch
- Galileo vs. Washington Football Game 3:00 p.m.
- Food & Logo Merchandise on Sale.



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WOULD BE HAPPY TO ASSIST AND
ADVERTISE TO SPREAD THE WORD.**

For the "Galileo 100 Project", we would like to partner with the Galileo Parents, Teachers, Students, Alumni and Admin, to create a *"Once in a lifetime celebration for all to enjoy. We will take a trip back-in-time to experience the creation of the Galileo High School, advance to the current time, and into the future of what Galileo can be."*

Please join us and be on one of our committees. Email

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GALILEO 1972 REUNION

Attn: All Class of '72 Alumni!

A new venue has booked for our Big 50th Reunion on the same reserved date of Sept. 17th, a new updated registration form has been mailed out to your last known home address more details to follow on our web page galileoclass72.org. The new location will be celebrated at the Marines Memorial Club at 609 Sutter St. 11th Floor Crystal Room, San Francisco 94102 more info to follow

For those of you on the fence whether to attend the Big 50th Galileo Reunion, all are still invited to register deadline extended. The confirmed to attend are as follows: Gloria Louie, Gracina/Calvin Seto Leong, Audrey/Bob Ng Ricci, Austin/Vanita Louie, Adrienne/Bert Hong Won, Andrew/Denise Der, Alan/Sandra Yong, Leslie/Bob Yee Chan, Tommy/Anna Woo, Leland/Janie Wong, Erderlinda Ramos Tolentino, Leonora Macasig McKenzie, Glen Louie, Catherine/Stewart Chatman, Anna/ Joel Sarafian Silverman, Gordon Yue, Anna Tse, Clothilde/ Everett Hewlett, Georgia Jackson, Mary/Gary Bean Harris, Wilbert/Fern Tom, Sylvia/Eldridge Huey Ames, Vivian Payongayong, Michelle Damato Atkinso, Dede Buckley, Doris Conner, Denise McGill Woods, Daymond Gee, Nealon Gee, Monica Jones, Gary/Beverly Jew, Gail/Richard Pollard Macaluso, Marion Fong Tom, Robert Rodriguez, Dede Dunegan, Leland LW Wong, Robert Brown, Reggie Allen, Bob/Ruby Gin, Barbara Gin Loo, Gary Gilliard, Sheila Cotton, Lisa Stringer, Deborah/Lonnie Fagan Bolden, Phil Wong, Carmencita Montecarlo Choy sign up now at galileoclass72.org.

Where Are They Now?

Arthur Dong



In addition to its sterling reputation in academics, athletics, and arts, Galileo High School is known for its numerous alumni who have had a positive impact on the community. Arthur Dong is an outstanding example of our successful alumni. He is an award-winning filmmaker, an activist of Asian American heritage, and a longtime member of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences and the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences. In addition to his success as a filmmaker, he has successfully lobbied for Asian American movies including *Flower Drum Song* (1961) into the National Film Registry while serving on the National Film Preservation Board. He authored *Forbidden City, USA: Chinatown Nightclubs, 1936-1970* and *Hollywood Chinese: the Chinese in American Feature Films*, both earning critical acclaim and

numerous awards since being published in 2014 and 2019 respectively.

Arthur E. Dong was born in San Francisco, California to Don Moon and Zem Ping Dong. His father was a veteran of World War II, while his mother was a seamstress. The youngest of four children, Arthur was raised in San Francisco's Chinatown and North Beach neighborhoods. Success ran in the family, as Arthur became a filmmaker, his sister Lorraine became a professor and chair of Asian American Studies at San Francisco State University, his brother Hugh became manager, composer, and performer with the Chinatown dance bands C.P. Salt, Sand, Majestic Sounds, and Lavender Blues, and his brother Alexander became a chemical engineer with the Environmental Protection Agency (Lorraine and Hugh are also Galileo alums). Arthur enrolled at Galileo High School in 1968, where he was active in numerous activities (Class Vice-President and Historian, Editor of the class newspaper, etc.) including filmmaking. While earning his diploma, he wrote a poem that would be the basis for his award-winning production titled *Public* (1970) for which he'd later win the California High School Film Festival's First Prize Award. He described the experience with fondness:

My art teacher at Galileo, Rob McConnell, introduced me to the world of photography and film production. He was taking a course at UC Extension that trained teachers to teach film production, and his homework was to guide his students to make a film. One day in class, he gathered Nancy Lee, Arthur Vibert, Otto Van Veerssen, and myself for a special project to make a film. Since I was picked to be the director, I didn't get to operate a camera – so Mr. McConnell had me take production stills. He taught me how

to use a professional camera, develop film, and print photos in a dark room. That was my launch into film production and still photography. I followed up the group project with my own film, Public, which kick-started my career. It was based on a poem I wrote in an English class taught by Judith Berliner about a young boy's encounters with societal norms and the culture of violence.

During that same year, I received a summer scholarship to the Academy of Art College. I also came out as gay. And, I had a job at one of the trendiest shops in San Francisco at the time, Takahashi. It was a heady time. For my senior year at Galileo –after a summer at the Academy of Art College– I combined work study with independent studies to finish high school off campus. I was also living on my own and supporting myself. I remember bringing my then-boyfriend to the senior dance and attending graduation ceremonies at Masonic Auditorium with my parents, so I wasn't totally MIA.

Arthur graduated from Galileo High School in June 1971. Afterwards, he earned his Bachelor of Arts at San Francisco State University, founded his own production company called DeepFocus Productions, and began releasing a series of award-winning movies —mainly documentaries— that were primarily focused on Asian American and LGBTQ stories. Arthur's career reached a milestone in 1984 when he was nominated for an Academy Award for Best Documentary for *Sewing Woman* (1982), a story based on his mother's life as an immigrant who journeyed to the United States of America for a better life. His other successes include *Forbidden City, U.S.A* (1989), *Hollywood Chinese* (2007), *Coming Out Under Fire* (1994), *Licensed to Kill* (1997), and *The Killing Fields of Dr. Haing S. Ngor* (2015). Arthur Dong was inducted into the Galileo Hall of Merit in 2015, and he still keeps in touch our alumni:

Eugene Wing invited me to speak at Galileo's Welcome Assembly in 2013. I was particularly heartened to see a student booth in the courtyard for the Gay-Straight Alliance. What an impact it would have made if that kind of support were around back when I was a student. I was later inducted into the Galileo Hall of Merit and attended the ceremonial banquet. It was wonderful to meet up with classmates, and particularly with teachers Mr. Wing and Mr. [Tom] Collins. Mr. Collins served as my art mentor when he taught at Marina Junior High School, and Mr. Wing acknowledged my gay identity openly when I was his student and asked me to invite a gay activist to speak about LGBTQ issues in his biology class – pretty radical for 1970!

[Click here for more on Arthur Dong.](#)

Written by Samuel Clemens.



Through the Telescope

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY, GALILEO ACADEMY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY!

Galileo is 100 years old! Actually 101 as the high school was founded in 1921. It has come a long way through a world war and 4 other wars. Many of its students have participated in these wars, several have given their lives for their country and others have survived to serve their country. Through it all the school has produced successful adults who have excelled in business, government, science, the arts, sports and many other occupations.

There will be a centennial celebration on September 30th albeit a scaled down version of the originally planned larger event which was affected by the pandemic. It will take place at the school in conjunction with the Song and Yell Contest, homecoming and a football game. We invite one and all to attend the events. Details can be found elsewhere in this newsletter and in emails that will be sent to alumni.

As I recall my time at Galileo, I thank the school for being a home away from home and its teachers and staff for being secondary parents. Thank you for the education and the sports that facilitated entry into adulthood and citizenship. I remember it like it was yesterday. I especially cherish the lasting friendships I made. And I emphasize lasting because they were just that — some 75 years later I still see and communicate with many classmates. In an earlier column I wrote of my love for Galileo. And that love gets stronger with every passing year. So I wish you a happy birthday, Galileo, and may you live and thrive for another 100 years.

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Vince Gomez, class of 1952, recently emailed me that he and his wife Carol are enjoying their new home in Albuquerque, New Mexico. He wrote in part “.....we are getting adjusted to the hot afternoons (over 90 every day). We have had some Sunday drives to Santa Fe and an interesting small town called Madrid. Have not connected with local jazz musicians yet so have not played bass at this time. I do read the SF Chron on the computer every morning and listens to KNBR on the computer as well. Have fun with the 100th anniversary of Galileo. GO LIONS.”

We are looking for your memories of Galileo. Please send them in and we'll publish them in future issues of the Observer. All memories are welcome such as first prom, first dance, love at first sight including crushes, sports stories, favorite teachers, lasting friends, favorite subjects, etc.



BETWEEN THE LIONS - JULY 2022
Greetings Mighty Lions! Here's what's happening at Galileo these days.



GRADUATION

Graduation for all of the SFUSD's high schools was held at Kezar Stadium or at Ruth Asawa School of the Arts. Galileo's graduation was held on May 31, 2022 at 4:30pm in the afternoon. Students wore the traditional purple caps and gowns and did not need to wear face masks. As in 2021, there was no Procession of the Graduates at the start and the end of the ceremony. Students were able to choose who they sat next to for this year's ceremony. This year several ASB Officers read the names of the graduates as they walked the stage. Each graduate carried a card with the phonetic pronunciation of their name to help the ASB Announcer to say each name correctly. As students walked across the stage, they were handed their diploma cover. The time allotted for the ceremony for all schools was 90 minutes and then the stadium was cleaned for the next school.

Seniors were required to attend school the day after Graduation, June 1, 2022 to meet the California State Requirement of Instructional Minutes (64,800 minutes each school year). Senior Breakfast was held on June 1, 2022, which was the last day of school and was a day of instruction for all students, including seniors. The Awards Ceremony for Seniors was also held on June 1, 2022, and that is when the Seniors received their diplomas.

RETIREMENTS

Galileo Faculty members retiring this year include long time teacher Gary Tong (Math), Naomi Gibson (Special Ed), Mirjam Krohne (Special Ed) and Barry Barbour (Counselor). Due to COVID restrictions we were still not able to hold our traditional Retirement Luncheon at Capurro's Restaurant at Fisherman's Wharf, but all four retirees were honored by their department members. We hope to be back to our traditional Retirement Luncheon next year and we will honor them then!

NEW PRINCIPAL FOR GALILEO

Tami Benau (Galileo Principal 19) is transferring to a new position with the San Francisco Unified School District. She will be a Director for SFUSD iLAB which is instrumental in reaching the Vision 2025 for the San Francisco school district. She begins her new position on July 1, 2022.

SFUSD has appointed Peter Avila as a one-year Interim Principal for Galileo while the process of selecting a Permanent Principal for 2023-2024 is a priority. Selection of the new principal will involve a site- based community interview process.

Mr. Avila is a long- time employee of SFUSD. He served as principal of Marshall Elementary School for fourteen years and his background includes experience in supporting newcomer students, Spanish Immersion and Special Education. More information will be forthcoming when we are able to meet Galileo's new Principal and begin to work with him. I have met him and had 3 opportunities to show him Galileo and learn about his experiences with our district. He is happy to be assigned to Galileo and looks forward to meeting all of our faculty and staff and learning all about Galileo! Those of us who have met him welcome him to Galileo!

ACADEMIC CHALLENGES

This past school year (2021-2022) had new challenges aside from wearing masks, some experiencing COVID, our new later start and end times (8:40m – 3:50pm) and readjusting after spending a year with Distance Learning. As the school year progressed, there were more faculty and staff absences than in previous years (as well as student absences) and many of these absences were due to COVID. SFUSD provided faculty and staff with 10 free COVID sick days to cover pay for their absences. The COVID disease also affected the substitutes and so many days we did not have enough substitutes to cover all the teachers absent each day. Teachers present were asked to cover other teacher's classes on their prep periods and were paid for this extra duty. Administrators also stepped up to cover classes. Nonetheless, there were days where there was not enough coverage for all classes and classes were then combined. Everyone worked as a team to ensure students were served and not forgotten.

JROTC “ON AGAIN”, “OFF AGAIN” AND FINALLY “ON AGAIN”!

The outstanding news finally came that SFUSD would accept an offer from the US Army to financially support JROTC at six high schools—Galileo, Lowell, Washington, Lincoln, Balboa and Mission. Currently this is a 2-year commitment by the Army to help to rebuild the program. A recent story in the San Francisco Chronicle reported that enrollment in JROTC at all six schools reached 550 students, just one third of what it was a decade ago.

A quote from Jill Tucker's article “S.F. school district set to restore JROTC” published in the San Francisco Chronicle on Wednesday, July 13, 2022 is as follows: “The program has been in place in the district for more than 100 years, offering students in-class and after- school leadership training, community service opportunities and a variety of experiences, including drum line, archery, robotics and other activities.”

Several days before this story, the San Francisco Chronicle had a front-page story about Galileo student Sofia Lopez, a Senior, who joined JROTC as a Freshman and she mentioned all the help, strength and variety of experiences from her active involvement in JROTC. This year she will serve as JROTC Battalion Commander. The new Superintendent of SFUSD, Matt Wayne was quoted in the article: “JROTC is one of many important programs in our high schools that can make a significant difference in the lives of our students.” Superintendent Matt Wayne began his position on July 1, 2022.

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GALILEO DRAGON BOAT TEAM (GALILEO CELESTIAL DRAGONS)

Katy Liang, Faculty Sponsor reports: “For Dragon Boat Team (GCD). We were not able to do much this year. We did have one youth race a couple of months ago and did really well. We are getting ready and doing a parking event on July 4th to get fundraising money for our SoCal race this summer. This year we had Tyler Kwong, Jasper Liao, and Amanda Change as some of our officers, and they will continue to support our team next year. One of the coaches, Henry Gee, became an SFUSD employee, so it will be really helpful for our future events and as a community together. We only have a couple of officers' meetings this year in room 153 and did not have any general club meetings. However, we have positive thoughts and happy hopes for next year to be a little bit more normal. “

The big upcoming Summer Event will be The SoCal race "The 2022 Long Beach Dragon Boat Festival will be held at [Marine Stadium](#) (5255 E. Paoli Way, Long Beach, CA 90803) in Long Beach on July 30, from 9 am to 6 pm.

In addition to one of the largest dragon boat competitions in California, there will be Chinese traditional art demonstrations, Chinese Acrobats, traditional dance, hip hop, music, and martial arts performances.

SAVING GALILEO MEMORIES

One day this past Spring Semester an unexpected visitor came to Galileo into the Main Office carrying what turned out to be a “Genuine Galileo Treasure!” He introduced himself to me as Ken Chin and said he was a former Galileo student. He told me that he attended Galileo for part of his high school years and then spent his working years in San Francisco. He brought with him what looked like a large scrapbook. He told me he found it in a garbage can at the Casting Ponds in Golden Gate Park. His curiosity prompted him to open the pages and he was so startled and surprised to see that it was a scrapbook depicting many of Galileo’s early years from the early 1920’s to the mid 1950’s. He asked me if I wanted to see it and of course I was so excited to open the book! One of the first items in this scrapbook is an original “First Edition of the Galileo Pendulum,” our school newspaper! And the rest of the book was just as exciting! Many photos of the building(s) under construction, sports photos, students, faculty, all depicting Galileo during the first 30 years!

Our visit was so fun and when he asked me if I wanted to keep the book I said, “Of Course!” After our visit I left the book on a table by my desk and over each day many of our faculty and staff noticed it (right by my candy bowl) and did not hesitate to open it and really enjoy all of the contents! Many suggested that we make a digital copy of the contents to make sure we preserve all of the wonderful Galileo memories. Between our Digital Media Pathway, our Photography staff and students and our Journalism staff and students we will work on this in the Fall Semester and hopefully we can post it on the Galileo website for everyone to enjoy! Once this happens everyone will be informed how to access it and enjoy the contents. Stay tuned!

Ken Chin’s career in San Francisco was serving as a Senior Criminal Investigator for the San Francisco District Attorney’s Office and when he retired, he became a San Francisco Park Ranger and his duties in that position brought him to the great discovery from Galileo’s past!

GREAT FUN WITH GALILEO YEARBOOKS

With a good amount of free time this summer due to a very small summer school program there is time to answer requests from former students and their families about yearbooks, yearbook photos and much more. One of the SFUSD Summer School administrators, Ariana Aro had spent several days at Galileo recently and told me that her 100-year old “Gramps” (Frank Ruggiero) attended Galileo, I led her right to the collection of yearbooks in the Principal’s Office and after some searching, she found his Graduation Photo in the 1939 Telescope along with autographs from some of his friends (remember how we signed yearbooks?). She found a few other yearbooks with his photos and she pulled out her cellphone to take pictures. I suggested she borrow the books as she sees him every week. She accepted and when she returned the year books she told me how surprised and excited her grandfather was and he just got right down on the floor and opened them all together side-by-side and had so much fun!!

Another request came from the daughter of a 1949 graduate that she wanted to use at his memorial service as he recently passed away—Larry Bravo (Class of 1949). She also asked about his younger brother Albert Bravo (Class of 1951). The collection of Telescopes through the years of Galileo’s existence are so important and much fun. It is not unusual for people to send yearbooks of their deceased relatives back to Galileo and we gladly add them to the collection for all to view.

One of our Summer School Staff this year was a Security Aide and Basketball Coach at Galileo in 1987. He enjoyed finding photos of his team members and we had fun remembering stories about all of the players!

I enjoy the yearbooks too—remembering students, faculty and staff and enjoying not only photos from the past, but those of the present who are still Galileo educators. We enjoy reminiscing about all the students, faculty and events! Go Lions!!

READ THE PENDULUM ONLINE

You can read the Galileo’s newspaper, “The Pendulum” [online] and keep up with what is going on at school. The Galileo Website has been converted to a new portal and the SFUSD is overseeing websites for all the schools. Simply go the Galileo website: [<http://www.galileoweb.org>] and on the front page on the right-hand side you will see **Pendulum Online** with “Read More.” Simply click on that and you can read each edition of “The Pendulum.”

GALILEO WILL CELEBRATE 100 YEARS IN SEPTEMBER 2022!

Planning continues to celebrate Galileo’s centennial. The very enthusiastic committee of Galileo Alumni (GAA) the ASB, PTSA, Administration, Faculty and Staff, students and friends are encouraged to participate in planning and conducting this important event. Save the date September 30, 2022 for the Galileo Centennial Celebration! Details to follow!

GALILEO ATHLETIC DIRECTOR GIVE US A SPORTS UPDATE

FENCING- After struggling to find a coach, Mr. Mendoza, the head boys soccer coach, stepped up so the season could continue. The team did very well throughout the season with one state qualifier at All-City, a freshman Jett Li.

BADMINTON- With a new coach the team had a solid season making the playoffs with 5 wins and 5 losses in league play but lost in the first round of the playoffs.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL- finished the season under Coach Mark with 6 wins and 3 losses making the playoffs but losing in the first round to cross town rival Lowell. Several players made All City including Teddy Stamatakos (1st team), Ben Barnum (2nd team), Jacky Yu (2nd team), Jacon Li (Honorable mention) and Khristian Cruz (honorable mention)

TRACK AND FIELD - With Coach Adams leading the way the track team had a very respectable season. Several personal bests including a school record in the girls 1600 by Noelle Kimotsuki, a sophomore in her first year of track at 5:32.21 and also one of the top 800s in school history at 2:27.8. Jeffrey Dang ran huge personal bests in the 800, 1600 and 3200 and was named CIF scholar athlete for the entire San Francisco section. Mathias Camilli was the only boy in the section to break Lowell's dominance in the distance events, finishing 3rd in the 3200 at All City and a week later running one of the top 1600 meter times in school history at 4:30.2. He looks to return as the top senior in the city for cross country.

BOYS GOLF- unfortunately due to low numbers the golf team had to forfeit the season.

Swimming had a solid season considering low numbers. Coach Sheila Burke was in her 3rd year as a coach for Galileo. Senior Ainsley Michael led the way for the swim team with several top 5 times in the city including the top time in the city for the 50 backstroke.

SOFTBALL- With a new head coach the girls softball team made the playoffs for the first time in a number of years. This is with a team made up of some girls with lots of experience and some it was their first time playing the sport. They unfortunately met Lowell in the first round of the playoffs, losing but not without a battle. It's true what they say, "sometimes when you win you really lose and sometimes when you lose you really win". They finished the season with 6 wins and 3 losses in league play.

TENNIS- finished the season with 3 wins and 5 losses but still managed to make the playoffs but lost in the first round.

BASEBALL- Baseball had an up and down season; they started off slow struggling to find the chemistry as a team but as the season progressed the team really rallied together and won some huge games down the stretch. They made it to a play-in game for the playoffs against Mission but unfortunately came up short. This team returns most of its key players next year and should be a threat in the playoffs.

SPRING BALL FOOTBALL- First year head coach, Coach Nick, has had a huge impact on campus not only as a coach but a security guard. The team had 50 plus kids out for Spring ball/conditioning and is a great sign heading into the 2022 football season.

Let me know what you'd like to hear/read about at Galileo. Bettie on the Beat will be happy to answer your questions and handle your requests.

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- Since the state has cut back funding to public schools, many of the activities we enjoyed at Galileo now require outside monies to maintain. To date, GAA has contributed to the school newspaper, sports program, and graduation site. With your help, we hope to do even more in the future.
- Because of GAA's nonprofit status, your donations are tax deductible. Your cancelled check acknowledges receipt by GAA.
- I'm sure you remember doing car washes, bake sales, whatever you could to raise money for your senior activities. Students now have to work even harder to raise these funds. Don't forget your Alma Mater. GO LIONS! *Tax ID 30-0066848*

YES, I want to donate \$ _____ towards:

☐ Observatory (Telescope) Restoration ☐ Seniors (events/graduation)

☐ Science Dept. ☐ Dragon Boat ☐ Sports ☐ *Other

*Please specify "Other"

Is it OK to mention your name as a donor? Yes ____ No ____

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**Mail to: Galileo Alumni Association
1150 Francisco Street
San Francisco CA 94109**

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FOR FUTURE REUNIONS OR CURRENT INFORMATION, CHECK FACEBOOK UNDER GALILEO REUNION (ENTER YOUR YEAR) OR [CLICK HERE FOR FACEBOOK PAGE](#). IF YOU NEED HELP WITH A REUNION AND WANT TO FORM A COMMITTEE, PLEASE CONTACT US AT GALILEOALUMNI@YAHOO.COM

REUNIONS ARE COMING UP IN 2022/2023

THE GAA IS HERE TO HELP

**GALILEO ACADEMY
HALL OF MERIT
NOMINATION FORM**

CRITERIA

1. Nominee must have attended Galileo High School/Galileo Academy of Science and Technology in good standing prior to being nominated.
2. Nominee may be an individual (student, staff or faculty member).
3. Nominee must have made a significant contribution, after graduation or attendance, to his/her community, city, state, country, or globally. (Examples: science, technology, government, business, education, the arts, philanthropy).
4. Anyone, including Galileo alumni, faculty, staff, family or friends of a nominee may nominate a candidate. All nominations will be reviewed and facts about qualified nominees will be verified by the Galileo Alumni Association Hall of Merit Committee.
5. Posthumous awards may be given, so nominee may be deceased. If selected, he/she must be represented by a family member or recognized close friend.

I would like to nominate the following person for the Galileo Academy Hall of Merit:

Name of Nominee: _____

Field of Accomplishment: _____

Class of: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____
Spring/Fall/Year

Address: _____
Street City State/Zip Code

Nominator's Name: _____

Address _____
Street City State/Zip Code

Class of: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____
Spring/Fall/Year

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail to: Galileo Alumni Association
Hall of Merit Committee
1150 Francisco Street San Francisco, CA 94109
Email: galileohallofmerit@aol.com

GALILEO SPORTS HALL OF FAME

NOMINATION FORM

CRITERIA

1. Nominee must have attended Galileo High School/Galileo Academy of Science and Technology in good standing at least 5 years prior to being nominated.
2. Nominee must have been an outstanding athlete. Examples: Member of a championship team, selected All City, hold a high school record, recipient of a specific individual or team award, considered by peers as worthy of being a member of the Galileo Sports Hall of Fame. (Consideration will be given for recognized athletic activities and/or accomplishments after graduation.)
3. Nominee may be an individual (faculty, coach, student) whose valued contributions to a specific sport or athletics in general at Galileo are worthy of consideration for this award.
4. Galileo alumni, faculty members, coaches, or family members of a nominee, may nominate a candidate. All nominations will be reviewed and facts about qualified nominees will be verified by the Galileo Alumni Association Sports Hall of Fame Committee.
5. Posthumous awards are given, so nominee may be deceased. If selected, he/she must be represented by a family member or recognized close friend.

I would like to nominate the following person for the Galileo Academy Sports Hall of Fame:

Name of Nominee: _____

Class of: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Spring/Fall/Year

Address: _____

Street

City

State/Zip Code

Nominator's Name: _____

Address _____

Street

City

State/Zip Code

Class of: _____ Phone: _____ Email: : _____

Spring/Fall/Year

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail to: Galileo Alumni Association
Sports Hall of Fame Committee
1150 Francisco Street
San Francisco, CA 94109